

CRITICAL CARE SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES FINAL	DATE June 17, 2014	TIME 1:00 p.m.	LOCATION ODPS – Division of EMS – Conference 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43218
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ATTENDEES	<i>Committee Members:</i>	Julie Anne Rose, Brian Byrd, Daniel Ellenberger, Adam Howard, Stephanie Steiner, Linda Hines, William Longworth, Lori Mizla, Louise Weller
	<i>(EMS) Staff:</i>	Melvin House, David Fiffick, Connie White and Vesna Bogdanovska
	<i>ODPS Staff:</i>	None
	<i>Visitors:</i>	Kent Appelhans, Tim Pickering, Tom Reed, Tom Allenstein
ABSENT	<i>Committee Members:</i>	Robert Barcus, Amy Haughn, Michael Jackson, Marisa Maxey, Steven Steinberg, Scott Swickard, Scott Swickard, Natasha Tolliver, Keith Wohlever.

A G E N D A T O P I C S

TOPIC	<u>Welcome & Review / Approval of June 17, 2014 minutes</u>
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DISCUSSION	<p>The meeting was called to order at 1:25 pm The meeting minutes from February 18, 2014 were reviewed and approved without change.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First: Brian Byrd • Second: Daniel Ellenberger <p>None Opposed, None Abstained, Minutes Approved.</p>
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TOPIC	<u>Meeting Discussion</u>
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DISCUSSION	<p>Mr. David Fiffick is introduced with being over 30 years with the State, Board member for 13 years; and the current Chief of Medical Transportation in Ohio Division of EMS.</p> <p>It is noted that this is a brand new committee, 3rd so far.</p> <p>The group was charged by the department to look at the appropriate use of medical services and the proposed movement of vehicle standards from the KKK to NFPA standards.</p> <p>The Medical Transportation Committee decided that the SCT issue needs to be back on the agenda. The concern was that the Scope of Practice may not support the use of SCT billing in the State of Ohio. The members of this group feel there are issues with the Medicare regulations being in conflict with our state scope of practice for the use of specialty care transport billing.</p> <p>From discussions with the National reimbursement experts for the industry and providers throughout the State of the Ohio, there is concern for anybody in the Sate using the specialty care code that the Medicare has established for specialty care transport defined as inner facility transport of critically ill injured patient by RN, Physician, Respiratory therapist, and Paramedic with additional training.</p> <p>Ohio Scope of Practice had a line item explained using examples. There was discussion for some potential problems. It has been said in public forum that because a transport of a ventilator patient or any others mentioned, because it shows within the State’s Scope of Practice for a paramedic that it would then indicate the SET may not be eligible to be used for Ohio providers. The sub-committee decided to discuss for the potential problem. A suggestion was made for creating an association group and to start discussing for finding potential solution.</p> <p>A letter for Regarding Inter-facility Transport of Patients by EMS providers and the Scope of Practice was presented.</p> <p>The way the law is written down is specifically written for pre-hospital. The law does not address the facility nursing transports, but to make a change, there is a need for a law change or amendment</p>
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additional of rule change.

There was discussion on the Ventilation, Cardiac Management, Central line monitoring, IV infusion pump per-fusing medications requiring dosing, Maintenance of blood administration, Thrombolytic therapy initiation and monitoring, Medical device not specifically referenced in the scoop of practice requiring continual clinical oversight and appropriate interventions in the event of mechanical failure.

There was also discussion for Scope of Practice and concerns that Medical Directors will not allow Scope of Practice of Paramedics.

Mr. Melvin House shared his opinion about opening sections of the Specialty Care law, to do the same changes on the language for additional certifications for Paramedic, Advance EMT and EMR. This could be a potential solution.

Mr. William Longworth read part of the law and it was advised to be considered.

The sub-committee talked about Paramedic with additional training. In order to perform interventions in this category, the Paramedic must receive additional training approved by the local medical director that ensures competence with each item. Also, the training for the infusion of specific medications shall not be done at the time of the interfaculty transfer of the patient. EMS provider should perform the interventions as requiring additional training only if such training as been performed documented and approved by the agency's Medical director.

There were more explanations given about Ventilator options from more committee members, and it was defined like Demand Ventilator, capable of: setting the mode; Title volume and rate; FIO2 and P.

Discussion continued for OAMTA and OACCT. Between now and next meeting, Mr. Kent Appelhans agree to receive any suggestion documents, to combine them and bring them to the next meeting where they can get final approval from this group to be sent to medical oversight.

For appropriate use of Air Medical Services, the sub-committee discussed about possibilities for making progress. Mr. Melvin House gave a suggestion to post ideas on the EMS site and everybody who can get access, can share the comments.

The sub-committee discussed about the NFPA issue and eliminating of the KKK name and the concerns about standards that were set. The group that is working on this discussion start at April / May 2014 and the deadline is in January 2015. Also Mr. Tim Pickering discussed about AIMS and NEMCO.

Mr. David Fiffick pointed out the 5 year old revue rule, advising that it needs to be ready to start working on the same one.

Discussions continued for Billing problems. \$10 million will make huge impact on OMTA side, as somebody who is advocating for Medical Transportation and EMS in the State of Ohio is a direct impact to the quality based of payment.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None	None	None

TOPIC	<u>Adjournment</u>
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DISCUSSION	Meeting was finished at 2:40 pm.
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TOPIC	<u>Next Meeting</u>
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DISCUSSION	<p><u>Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 1:00 pm;</u></p> <p>Meeting Room C4-9&10 ODPS, Division of EMS, 1970 W. Broad St.,</p>
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TOPIC	<u>Minutes Approved</u>
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	Julie Rose, Chair	Date